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The Communist cell working in the Fabrica de Polvoras Piquet, army arsenal in the State of Sao Paulo, is reportedly engaged in stealing rifles, machine guns, and ammunition from the arsenal. The cell ships these items clandestinely to Communist hiding places in Sao Paulo, Pernambuco, Linas Gerais, Rio Grande do Norte, and Rio Grande do Sul.

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the national headquarters of the Communist Party of Brazil (PCB) is located in Sao Paulo at the present time.

all correspondence of an international nature affecting the various world-wide Communist workers organizations is received at the offices of the Communist publication Fundamentos, on Rua Parao de Itapetininga, Sao Paulo.

- 3. Moacir Ramos Silva, Propaganda Secrotary of the Sao Paulo Municipal Committee of the PCE, is reported to be in charge of supplying all of the national and international organs of the Communist Party with coverage of Communist activities in the State of Sac Paulo.
- 4. Certain PCB leaders in the city of Sac Paulo are suspected by their fellow Party members of having taken a portion of the funds which they had collected for the Party coffers. Pocause of their recent prosperity, the following are among those under suspicion:

Waldomiro Amente, owner of a bar in Vila Assumção
Jose Borielo, owner of several houses
Joaquim Rodriguez Coeora (sic), owner of a food store in Vila
Assumção

Thomaz Delano, formerly very poor, now owner of a bar on Rua Lituania

Mario Fernandes, owner of several houses in Vila Guiomar Fernando Jose Figueiroa, owner of a stove factory and store Miguel Guilhom, owner of several houses Estevao Manoel do Mascimento, owner of several houses.

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5. Mario Fernandes who, according to source, still holds a position in the local PCE, has been the main target of other Communists. Although he has been active in fund raising campaigns, it has been noted that he has not been arrested for a long time, and that his personal capital has grown

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considerably. He has been seen by Party members in the company of persons suspected of being spies for the police.

- 6. The PCB has recently expelled from its ranks the following leaders:
 - Gervasio Gomes de Azevedo, former Communist Federal Deputy from the State of Sao Paulo, previously reported to be a member of the Sao Paulo State Committee of the PCB;
 - Cirillo da Silva Pinto, previously reported to be a member of the Sac Paulo State Conference and the Sac Paulo Municipal Committee of the PCB;
 - Mario Scott, previously reported to be a labor organizer on the Scrocabana Railroad and a member of the Sac Paulo State Committee of the RUB.

Scott and Pinto were allegedly expelled from the Party for being traitors to their class and for aiding the reactionary cause. Azevedo was expelled for giving the police names of numerous comrades and information on Party activities.

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